

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4197

C O N F I D E N T I A L KINSHASA 6072

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TAGS: PFOR, UR, US, CG

SUBJ: CONTACTS WITH SOVIET DIPLOMATS

REF: STATE 140499

1. SOVIET AMBASSADOR LAVROV HAS CLEARLY RAISED, SINCE  
PRESIDENT NIXON'S VISIT TO MOSCOW, THE DEGREE OF WARMTH OF HIS

GREETINGS WHEN WE MEET AT OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS.  
THESE CONVERSATIONS ALWAYS INCLUDE EXPRESSIONS OF  
GRATIFICATION OVER THE PROGRESS OF OUR RELATIONS AND  
REPORTS THAT VARIOUS SUBSEQUENT VISITS HAVE BEEN WELL

AND FAVORABLY COVERED IN THE SOVIET MEDIA. HOWEVER,  
THERE HAVE AS YET BEEN NO INITIATIVES TO STEP UP  
EXCHANGES OF INVITATIONS.

2. AS REPORTED IN KINSHASA'S A-117, THE USSR CONTINUES  
TO RECEIVE ITS  
KNOCKS HERE FROM PRESIDENT MOBUTU,  
IN MARKED CONTRAST WITH THE CONTINUED EXPRESSIONS  
BY MOBUTU AND GOZ OF THEIR WARM REGARD FOR THE PRC.  
REF AIRGRAM REPORTED THAT MOBUTU WENT OUT OF HIS WAY DURING  
A MAJOR PUBLIC ADDRESS JUNE 24 TO CHARGE THAT THERE  
WERE AMBASSADORS IN KINSHASA WHO MAKE A LOT OF NOISE  
ABOUT RELATIONS BUT WHO IN FACT DO NOT ENCOURAGE  
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ANY INVESTMENT OR TRADE AND WHO IN ADDITION CARRY ON

SUBVERSION. IT IS GENERALLY CONSIDERED HERE THAT HE  
WAS CITING THE SOVIET EMBASSY.  
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